

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended, and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested. Claims 1-111 have been cancelled. Claims 112-117 are pending. Support for these claims can be found in the application as originally filed, e.g., claims 63, 64 and claims 113-115 prosecuted in the parent application. Claim 112 also finds support for the claimed peel force at page 10 of the specification.

The Examiner has restricted the claimed invention under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to three groups.

Group I: Claims 1-57 drawn to a creped fibrous web, a creped towel and a creped tissue classified in class 428, subclass 152.

Group II: Claims 58-64, drawn to a creping adhesive composition, classified in class 525, subclass 60.

Group III: Claims 65-111 drawn to a method of creping a fibrous web, classified in class 162, subclass 111.

Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute Group II directed to a creping adhesive. Applicants have cancelled claims 1-111 and introduced new claims 112-117 directed to a creping adhesive composition.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests consideration of these amended claims and the continued examination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

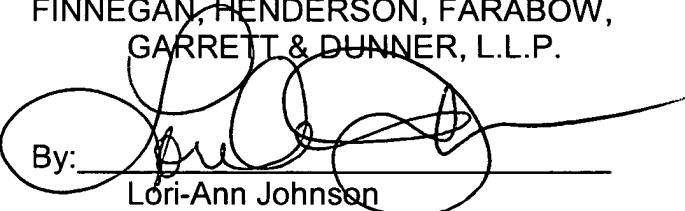
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